

BENTON CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL
Benton, Illinois 62812
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
June 16, 2022

The Board of Education of the Benton Consolidated High School District #103 met in Regular Session on Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. in the District Board Room. President, Robin LaBuwi called the meeting to order.

Mark Dyel opened in prayer and Kenny Irvin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Robin LaBuwi, President; Marci Glover, Vice-President; Mark Dyel, Secretary Pro-tempore; Robbie Cockrum and Kenny Irvin. Board members absent: Mitch Bennett and Shane Cockrum.

Others present: Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Wade Thomas, Principal; Ron Giaccone, Board Attorney; and Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

4.1 Appointment/Compensation/Discipline/Performance of Personnel

Robbie Cockrum made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Appointment, Compensation, Discipline, and Performance of Personnel. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

The Board; Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Wade Thomas, Principal; Ron Giaccone, Board Attorney; and Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary entered into an Executive Session in the Executive Board Room at 5:03 P.M.

Open Session - The Board reconvened in an Open Session at 5:40 P.M. Mark Dyel, Secretary Pro-tempore called the roll. Answering present: Robbie Cockrum – yes, Mark Dyel – yes, Marci Glover – yes, Kenny Irvin – yes, and Robin LaBuwi – yes. Board members absent: Mitch Bennett and Shane Cockrum.

Others present: Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Ron Giaccone, Board Attorney; Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary; and Karen Conner, Faculty Member.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 Approve Minutes: Regular Board Meeting Minutes, May 19, 2022 Executive Board Meeting Minutes, May 19, 2022

5.2 Approve Financial Report (May 2022)

5.3 Approve Payment of Bills (May 2022)

5.4 Review/Approve Final Calendar for SY2021-22

Kenny Irvin made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Marci Glover seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, members voted as follows: Robbie Cockrum – yes, Mark Dyel – yes, Marci Glover – yes, Kenny Irvin – yes, and Robin LaBuwi – yes. Motion Carried. A copy of the 2021-2022 School Calendar has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

Mr. Johnson Commented on the following:

- Triple I Conference to be held in November
- Capital Construction Grant update
- Breakfast/Lunch back to paid meals for SY2022-23
- Investment options for district funds
- Faculty/Staff Handbook update
- Cell phone policy update
- Per Ryan Miller: SY21-22 Student Attendance Summary
R2R Conference Schools Ticket Price Survey
Pay for Game Personnel - \$30
- Per Mr. Thomas: Summary of Student Discipline

7. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS Mrs. Conner commented that cell phones are a huge problem in the classroom.

8. OLD BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Assignment of Personnel Marci Glover made a motion to assign Anita Diefenbach as the assistant girls' tennis coach for the 2022-23 SY. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to assign Lucas Roberts as a volunteer girls basketball coach for the 2022-23 SY. Robbie Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to assign Brad Wills as a volunteer girls basketball coach for the 2022-23 SY. Robbie Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to accept the letter of resignation from Bernie Page as teacher's aide. Robbie Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to accept the letter of resignation from Wade Thomas as principal effective June 30, 2022. Marci Glover seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.2 Employment of Personnel

Kenny Irvin made a motion to employ Nikki LaBuwi as a teacher's aide for the 2022-23 school year. Robbie Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, members voted as follows: Mark Dyel – yes, Marci Glover – yes, Kenny Irvin – yes, Robin LaBuwi – abstain, and Robbie Cockrum – yes. Motion Carried.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to employ Brooklyn Ward as a teacher's aide for the 2022-23 school year. Marci Glover seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.3 Review/Approve Fees for 2022-2023 School Year Mark Dyel made a motion to approve the \$10 per student activity fee for the 2022-23 school year. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Regular Board Meeting – page 3
June 16, 2022

9.4 Review/Approve Posting of Open Positions Kenny Irvin made a motion to authorize the administration to post the position of Principal as available for the 2022-2023 school year. Mark Dyel seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.5 Review/Approve Assistant Bookkeeper Salary Proposal Kenny Irvin made a motion to approve the salary proposal for the assistant bookkeeper as presented. Marci Glover seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.6 Review/Approve Proposal to Replace North Doors in Rich Herrin Gym Kenny Irvin made a motion to approve the proposal to replace the north doors in the Rich Herrin Gym as presented. Mark Dyel seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.7 Review 1st Reading Board Policy Updates from Press Plus Issue 109

10. BOARD OF EDUCATION REMARKS Kenny Irvin thanked the coaches who participated in the Booster Club golf tournament. He also mentioned that he would like the board to think about the practice of hiring people related to board members and discuss at the August meeting.

Mark Dyel suggested the board consider informing attendees at board meetings of the procedure for comments and requests.

Mark Dyel and Marci Glover provided an update on the Extra-curricular Committee's progress on the 2022-23 Coaches Handbook.

Marci Glover asked about the active shooter procedure at BCHS.

11. ADJOURNMENT Kenny Irvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 P.M. Robbie Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

BOARD PRESIDENT

BOARD SECRETARY